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**Subject:** RE: Louisiana

Venetta and Vivian,

Thank you so much for getting us the analysis from Sonoma yesterday. We are looking at that now. Please find attached a link to the EPA Exceptional Events page for the Washoe County, NV exceptional events package. Here at R6, we found that this document set would be the most appropriate example for your use in developing the Baton Rouge exceptional event demonstration package for public comment. The format closely aligns as support of your projected wildfire occurrence demonstration.

<https://www.epa.gov/air-quality-analysis/exceptional-events-documents-ozone-washoe-nv> <https://www.epa.gov/air-quality-analysis/exceptional-events-documents-ozone-washoe-nv>

Please call me or Mark Sather (214-665-8353) with any questions about the exceptional events package. Fran

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Vennetta,

If you can send Bob and I a dropbox link we will download and share internally.

Thanks,  
Erik

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So it seems like the modelers are most familiar with how to do this. So please get it to Bob, Michael and Erik and they will figure out how to get it to the review team.

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I have the report from Sonoma, but it is too large to email. I can send it through our dropoff if you let me know who it should go to.

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Vivian,

I wanted to pass on that we have shared your letter with HQs as it will ultimately be an Administrator's decision as to the timing of a decision regard the Baton Rouge attainment status.

EPA supports and is prepared to work toward receiving and making a decision on the exceptional event package in time to support a designation decision by April 30. To that end, I am reconfirming the schedule that needs to be met to allow a review of the Exceptional Event in parallel with your public process.

- *April 30 – designation*
- **April 6 – EE decision**
- **March 31 – LDEQ submits final package with response to comments to EPA**
- *February 28 – LDEQ submits EE package for 30-day comment, response to comment, and concurrent EPA review*
- *February 20 – Sonoma presents information to LDEQ*

We understand you should have received the Sonoma report yesterday. We look forward to receiving a copy, so we can begin our review.

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